# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF WORKS AND SAFETY FOR THE CITY OF ATTICA December 7th, 2021

The Board of Works and Safety for the City of Attica met, pursuant to Public Notice, on Tuesday, December 7, 2021, at 5:00 P.M. in the City Council Room.

Present were Board Members, Chris Gayler, Andy Smart, Mayor Duane Roderick, Attorney Mallory Redlin and Clerk-Treasurer Joanne Broadwater

## Minutes from the previous meeting:

Gayler made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 2nd, 2021, meeting, Smart seconded, all were in favor, the motion passed.

# Citizens petitions:

None

# Department Head Reports:

# Director of Public Works, Eric Swank-

- The city is almost done picking up leaves.
- · The city is demoing a manlift and will likely purchase it.

#### Attica Fire Chief Mike Little -

- The 2022 Fire contracts with the 5% increase are ready to be mailed.
- Provided an update on the fire territory.

Smart made a motion to approve the 2022 Fire contracts as presented, Gayler seconded, motion passed.

### Police Chief, Garret Miller -

- Provided a call volume update. In November the APD responded to 363 calls, Miller provided YTD numbers and broke them down illustrating the different type of calls the APD responded to.
- Two new officers were hired, one has been to the academy, the second will go in January 2022.

Smart asked how the department is on reserve officers, Chief Miller stated we need certified instructors within our department before we recruit reserve officers so those reserve officers can be trained. Once we have certified officers, we will actively recruit new reserves.

# Building Commissioner, Jeff Pycke -

The regular meeting was suspended for the UBO hearings:

 607 N. Perry St. – Review hearing- the owner provided an update on the progress, Pycke agreed with the homeowner and recommended that the UBO be dismissed because all the items have been addressed.

# Smart made a motion to release the UBO, Gayler seconded, motion passed.

- 424 E. Main St. Review Hearing- owner provided an update on the progress, Pycke agreed with the homeowner update. The BOW set another review hearing for 3-1-2022.
- 204 W. Pike St.- Review Hearing- Pycke reported the roof has been replaced but no other progress has been made. A review hearing was set for 1-4-2022.
- 206 W. Pike St.- Review Hearing- Pycke reported no progress has been made. This is
  the property that the owner has been deceased since 2012 and the attorney that is
  working on transferring the property from the owner to the person taking care of the
  property has stalled. A review hearing is schedule for 1-4-2022 and the board asked
  Attorney Mallory Redlin to reach out to the attorney working with the property and ask for
  an update on the situation.
- 1007 S. McDonald St.- Regular Hearing- Pycke reported the accessory building has been demolished and cleaned up. UBO conditions have been met.

#### Smart made a motion to dismiss the UBO, Gayler seconded, motion passed.

- 110 W. Lithia- Regular Hearing- Pycke reported the property has been purchased by Harrison Steel. They plan to demolish and clean up the property. Property set for a review hearing 1-4-2022.
- Smart provided an update on 804 S. Brady St. the new owners have done a lot of work and continue to work on the property.
- Smart asked about that 711 S. Perry St. he stated there is an open window where cats
  are coming and going in and out of the property constantly. Smart asked Swank if he
  can look at the property to see if it can be condemned.
- 1108 N. Perry St.- Smart stated the owners began building on the property but stopped due to foundation issues and the property has sat with no progress for years. Smart asked if a UBO letter could be sent to the owner.
- Smart asked for an update on the Masonic Lodge. Roderick stated he will be getting
  estimates on the demolition of the building and are hoping there will be an OCRA grant
  available in 2022.

The regular meeting was resumed.

# Economic Development Director, Rod Bannon, was not present.

#### Unfinished Business:

Roderick stated he needs a signature authorization resolution for the water project. This
will allow the mayor to sign for an SRF loan.

 Broadwater reported that the city is scheduled for an audit in early 2022 for the budget year 2020 because the city is applying for an SRF loan for the water project. Swank stated the project will address the well houses, water reservoir, and upgraded meter pits.

Smart made a motion to approve the signature authorization resolution for the water project, Gayler seconded, motion was approved.

#### **New Business:**

### **Utility Credits:**

Roderick presented the utility credits.

Smart made a motion to approve the utility credits, Gayler seconded, motion passed.

# **Utility Disconnects:**

Broadwater presented the utility disconnect list.

Gayler made a motion to approve the disconnect list, Smart seconded, motion passed.

#### Miscellaneous Business:

 Broadwater presented a request from Indiana Landmarks to waive the \$200 new service deposit for utility service to Cottrell Village. John Cottrell has donated this property to Indiana Landmarks, and they are establishing utility service in their name.

Smart made a motion to waive the \$200 security deposit for Cottrell Village, Gayler seconded, motion passed.

#### Claims:

The claims were presented by Mayor Roderick.

Smart made a motion to approve claims, Roderick seconded. All were in favor and the motion passed.

There being no further business, Gayler made a motion to adjourn, Smart seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

The next Board of Works meeting will be held on Tuesday December 21, 2021, at 5:00pm, in person, in the City Council meeting room.

Approved:

Attest: